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Rapid River News!

From LRBOI

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(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business. The department or persons involved is shown at the end of each item. If the item is general in nature, PA will appear for Public Affairs)

(Natural Resource related items)

NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT HUNTING TAGS ! The Natural Resource Department is asking all hunters to return their hunting tags used or unused. The tags include deer, turkey, elk and bear. Returning your tags will be a big help in keeping the Department's data accurate. Either drop off your hunting tags at the office or mail to the following:

LRBOI Natural Resource Department

Atten: Bonnie

375 River Street

Manistee, MI 49660

The Department appreciates the hunters that took the effort to already return their hunting tags. Thank you for your cooperation.

(General area items)

Revenue Sharing Payment. The Little River Casino Resort, represented by GM Michael Garrow made a check presentation at the Ogema's office to the Revenue Sharing Board last week with the final 2008 payment of \$968,266.28. These funds come from 2% of the electronic gaming revenue at the casino and are Payments In Lieu of Taxes (P.I.L.T.) funds.

The Census Bureau is heavily recruiting Native American Tribes and ours is the last in three states to be tested. The recruiter from Ottawa and Manistee County is a tribal member (former Public Affairs intern Samantha Riley). She would like to have our tribe represented in this monumental task of collecting U.S. data. We have decided to test for the census ourselves.

Many of the upcoming jobs require a 30 minute exam. If you know of any tribal members interested in work, please forward their info to Danielle McIntyre, Workforce development Specialist, Commerce department at extension 6842. The first exam will be on-site at the Tribal Government building, 375 River St, Manistee, Thursday 15th at 1pm and 3pm, as well as Monday 19th at 10am. Future testing dates will depend on the response. For those tribal members off the rez they can call 866-861-2010. This testing site is open to all, not just tribal members.

You can take the exams as many times as you want, only your highest score will be used in the "pool" for jobs. They have to call me or the census registration line @ 866-861-2010 to register for the exams and inform them that they need to take a picture ID the day of the exam.

If you or someone you know, has any questions about this testing and hiring please feel free to call me extension 6842. I will answer or send you in the direction of an answer to the best of my ability. Danielle McIntyre, Workforce Development Specialist 231 723-8288 ext. 6842

(Tribal Government-Department items)

New Government Hours! Please make note that the government office hours are now Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. This is part of our efforts to save government dollars in these difficult times.

Enrollment Announcement!

This is a public notice to interested parties. The following deceased individuals were eligible to receive a per capita distribution and did not designate a beneficiary:

Name:	Kaileigh Ann Waskiewicz	Lawrence Ray Medacco	Raymond Paul Carey	Jason Loomis Dixon
Last known address:	18785 8th Avenue	1637 7th Street	2865 Valk Street	3103 Clayward Drive
Date first published:	Conklin, MI 49403	Muskegon, MI 49441	Muskegon, MI 49444	Flint, MI 48506

Rodney James Genereaux

2706 Riley S.W.

Wyoming, MI 49509

Persons with an interest or claim on the per capita distributions of the above named individuals should contact the LRBOI Enrollment Department to file the appropriate paperwork. After publication for three months an action will be brought in Tribal Court to determine who is lawfully entitled to claim the payment. This process will be in place until a different process is adopted.

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If you have any specific questions, ideas or comments regarding this information, please address them to:

The Public Information Office, LRBOI, 375 River Street, Manistee, MI. 49660. 231-398-6840.

Or send them direct to currentcomments@lrboi.com.

Your comments will be forwarded to the right person at the tribal government within 24 hours.